

BOYS STONE TRAINS TO AVENGE A DEATH

Little Italians Swear a Vendetta Against Erie Road.

MUCH DAMAGE DONE.

Angelo Pamaco, Aged 10, Held for Trial—Locomotive Had Killed His Mother.

Little Angelo Pamaco, ten years old, was yesterday committed for trial by Justice Deslonch in Montclair, N. J. The boy threw stones at Greenwood Lake Division trains of the Erie Railroad because one of them killed his mother two months ago.

Judge J. Frank Fort, of Newark, will try him, and Montclair folk hope he will be acquitted.

"I did not mean to do it," he sobbed yesterday. "I was playing in a lot when another boy, Rocco Jorat, called me and told me to get some stones quick and throw them at the train, as he was the same train that killed my mother."

"I minded Rocco, but I did not mean to do it," he threw two stones. The second one broke the window in the car and we ran away. But that train killed my mother" (his big brown eyes blazed) "and it served it right."

The boy's father is employed at a quarry in Verona. The lad, being the oldest, was made housekeeper after the Greenwood Lake train ran down his mother and she was taken dead and mangled to the shanty in the center of a colony of Italians, where the Pamacos live.

Angelo had four children younger than himself to look after, one of them a baby six months old, whose bottle he kept full. He even did the cooking for the family of six. Now he is in jail the housekeeping devolves upon a brother eight years old, who does all the work as best he can.

The father, who cannot speak a word of English, is looking for a place where his children can get proper care.

A warrant was issued for the arrest of Pamaco's friend, Rocco Jorat, on the statement of the boy that he told him to throw the stones.

"You cannot blame the little fellow for what he did," said the father. "He loved his mother dearly. He thinks the railroad killed her on purpose and that it tries to run down Italian women who pick up coal along the track. He is only a child, and did not know what he was doing. It is hard to send him to prison just for that. I promise that if they let him go he will not do it again."

The Erie Railroad detectives say that ever since Mrs. Pamaco was killed the train have been pelted when they passed the Italian settlement near "Two Bridges," in the vicinity of Highland Avenue and Baldwin street.

All the children declared a vendetta on the train. Passengers narrowly escaped injury, and made complaints.

Detective George A. Halm, with others, was sent to investigate the bombardments of the cars. He and Detective McGarry arrested little Pamaco with stones in his hands.

The railroad men take the position that the boy must be punished, so that other little stone throwers may be frightened into stopping the attempt to avenge the woman's death.

MANY HEIRS SHARE IN JOHN I. BLAIR'S ESTATE.

Millions Go to Children and Grandchildren, and \$30,000 in All to Charity.

Reidsville, N. J., Dec. 28.—The will of the late John I. Blair was filed in the Warren County Surrogate's office today. It was written in 1878 by the late Judge Shipman, of this city, and is a document of 135 pages of manuscript. The testator's son, DeWitt Clinton Blair, of Reidsville, is made sole executor of the estate without bond.

The principal bequests are to his wife, now deceased, \$6,000 a year, and use of real estate; to Emma Vail, \$12,000 in stocks and bonds; to John D. Vail, certain real estate and \$20,000; to Blaisdell Academy, \$15,000; to the Presbyterian Church at Blaisdell, \$10,000; to the old Oxford Presbyterian Church, \$5,000; to Walter Larned, a mortgage of \$10,000; to Charles Vail, now deceased, the Blair mansion house at Blaisdell, and farms in Blaisdell Township, and 1,500 shares of stock in various railroads were given. Emma Scribner, late Mrs. Charles Scribner, Arthur Scribner and Isabella Scribner, to his son, DeWitt C. Blair, of Reidsville, all the residue of the estate.

TO CARE FOR CUBAN ORPHANS.

Prominent Men and Women Ask Permission to Incorporate a Society.

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 28.—Application for permission to incorporate the "Cuban Orphan Society" of New York City has been made to the State Board of Charities. Its objects are to care for and educate the orphans and other destitute children of Cuba.

Among the directors are Thomas B. Adams, Cornelius N. Bliss, Mrs. Mary E. Willard, Cleveland E. Dodge, Francis Y. Greene, Robert C. Jackson, William J. Schellinger, Miss L. L. Schuler and Virginia Trask, of Saratoga.

FINAL "TAPS" FOR THE DEAD OF THE MAINE.

The President, His Cabinet, Dewey and Miles at the Funeral.

FULL MILITARY HONORS.

Each of the 150 Caskets Is Draped with an American Ensign and a Storm Flag.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Amid simple but impressive ceremonies, the bodies of the one hundred and fifty sailors who lost their lives when the Maine was blown up, were interred this morning in the National Cemetery at Arlington.

It was a gloomy and a stormy day, but the President, the members of his Cabinet and distinguished army and navy officials were present to do honor to the heroes who were laid to rest.

A detail representing the army, the navy and the marine corps, constituted a guard of honor. A few of the relatives of the victims were present.

Each of the caskets was covered, with an American ensign, a storm flag, and, just prior to interment with a wreath. Each of the graves was marked with a numbered headstone.

Captain Sigbee was in charge of the ceremonies. He was assisted by Lieutenant S. E. W. Kittelle and other officers. Father Chickwick, who was chaplain of the Maine, conducted the religious services according to the rites of the Catholic Church.

The Protestant burial service was read by Chaplain Clarke, of the navy, now stationed at Annapolis.

The Protestant services were held first, and were very simple. Chaplain Clarke then gave way to Father Chickwick, who was assisted by the Revs. Holand and Brown and two purple-robed acolytes.

A detachment of marines, in command of Captain Harmony, then marched to the right of the graves and fired three volleys over the dead, and the clear notes of a bugle rang out the soldiers' and sailors' last good-night.

The men of the Maine rest in individual graves in that portion of the national cemetery known as Hall's Knoll. The plot enclosed the graves is some distance from the Fort Myer gate of the cemetery on the

SHIPWRECKED CREW CAMPS IN 3 FEET OF SNOW.

Then Drifts Three Miles in Ice Water to the Mainland and Safety.

Cleveland, Dec. 28.—Members of the crew of the wrecked whaleback Barge 115, which went aground on Pic Island, Ont., on the northern shore of Lake Superior, tell a thrilling story of their experience after the ill-fated craft broke away from the steamer Colgate Hoyt. Mate Lynip said:

"About 11 o'clock on Monday morning the barge drifted ashore. We went ashore on a raft. The snow was three feet deep. Then we found we were on an island. We camped there that night. Next morning we found we were on the mainland about three miles away. We made a raft again and drifted to the mainland. On the following morning we started out, our entire provisions being half a slice of wet bread and some ounces of raw lard each. Some of the boys chewed the candles which they had taken with them from the barge. Finally we struck the tracks of the Canadian Pacific road and wired to the company of our arrival."

\$2,500 Fire on West Broadway.

Two alarms were sent at 6 o'clock last evening for a fire which started in the basement of the building No. 250 West Broadway. The flames were soon subdued, however, after a damage of \$2,500.

WILL ROSSITER MAKE THE PUBLIC QUIT WALKING OVER HIS BROOKLYN BRIDGE?

There is nothing the Brooklynite will not believe about President Rossiter, of the Rapid Transit Company, if told that Rossiter intended to make the public pull the cars to save electricity he would believe it.

Now, according to popular rumor, Mr. Rossiter has a plan to prevent citizens from walking over his Brooklyn Bridge and divert them to his 25-cent third-rail cars and to his 5-cent trolleys.

The head of the Transit Company has long felt it a hardship to him that any one should be allowed to walk over his Brooklyn Bridge free of charge. It was only yesterday, it is understood, that a method was thought up by which the thousands of pedestrians who dribble over the Bridge in the course of a day shall be compelled to pay their way.

According to advice received from a source that generally looks upon itself as trustworthy, Mr. Rossiter intends to have the footpath of the Bridge coated heavily with slippery grease. This will tend to discourage pedestrianism and perhaps abolish it altogether.

As the Rapid Transit Company owns the Bridge practically in fee simple and could pull it down and make the city build it a better one if it wanted to, it is hard to see what can be done about this scheme if it is so.

"You go and ask the Transit Company about it," said a Brooklynite, "and you'll see they'll deny it." And sure enough "That proves," he said confidently, "that they mean to do it. You see?"

RAN AT MRS. EYLER WITH A BIG KNIFE.

"I'll Find if You Have a Heart!" Screamed a Girl Prisoner.

TALK OF PERSECUTION.

Inmates of the Trenton Reform School Say the Matron Is Revengeful.

Trenton, Dec. 28.—"I'll find out if you have a heart!" screamed an infuriated inmate of the State Industrial School as she rushed at Mrs. Myrtle B. Eyler, the matron, and tried to kill her with a carving knife. The girl, who is Mamie Burns, eighteen years old, was not subdued until after a terrific struggle.

The outbreak reopens the scandal at the school which Governor Voorhees investigated recently and in which charges were made that the matron is a sort of Brockway in her cruel treatment of the prisoners in her care.

The Burns girl has frequently complained of the severity of the punishment inflicted on her by Mrs. Eyler. It is said that since the investigation of the institution her rule has been more severe than ever, especially toward the employees who testified against her.

They complain that petty tyrannies have been put in force to make their lives as unpleasant as possible. Teachers assert that the persecution has gone so far that Mrs. Eyler ordered the steam turned off at night in the rooms of those women who gave evidence of her alleged misrule.

When Gortlieb Koehler, the engineer, was told to turn off all heat from the rooms of three of the women who had incurred the matron's displeasure he said, it is alleged, "No, I won't. They'll get pneumonia."

The teachers assert that Mrs. Eyler thereupon replied, "Well, then, I'll do it myself," and did it. Engineer Koehler is the man who gave evidence that he held the reins of the school in the care of the matron.

The Burns girl believed she was being persecuted and she brooded. In the kitchen, where the cooking was done, Mrs. Eyler reproved her. The girl flew into a violent rage and rushed at the woman with a knife.

Mrs. Eyler defended herself as best she could and screamed for help. The other girls, believing a murder was imminent, ran out, but the matron's Policeman Bangs came to the rescue and subdued the girl. She was locked in one of the dark dungeons used for punishment.

Matron Eyler has suffered from nervous prostration since her exciting experience and has been under the constant care of a physician.

BRIDE-TO-BE SAW HIM FREED.

Straight Acquitted on Trial for Owning Washed Revenue Stamps.

Freeman Straight, a real estate agent, of No. 176 Broadway, who was arrested on October 7 with thousands of washed internal revenue stamps in his possession, was tried and acquitted yesterday in the United States Circuit Court.

Straight, in his defence, admitted the possession of the stamps, but declared he was getting up a collection, and that he got the stamps from Thomas B. Mangan. He said he was a victim of Mangan's duplicity. Mangan swore Straight asked him to sell the stamps for use again. He revealed the scheme to Agent Thompson.

During the trial it came out that Straight, who has recently been divorced, is about to marry again. When the jury brought in a verdict of not guilty the bride-to-be threw her arms about Straight and kissed him.

Gagged, Bound, Thrown Overboard.

Waterloo, N. Y., Dec. 28.—Last evening Reynold Seybold was snatched and robbed. He was then bound, gagged and thrown into the old White mill race. He was found lying in about a foot of water. The mill worker's hands around in front of his face and his head was held above water. This morning he became conscious, but could not get out of the hold-up. At noon Seybold had lapsed into unconsciousness and it is thought he will die.

Gifts to Judge Blanchard.

Judge James A. Blanchard will leave the bench of the Court of General Sessions with the closing of the year. Many judges, lawyers, court attendants and other persons gave him a reception yesterday and presented to him several beautiful gifts in appreciation of his work.

HUMAN LIFE LINE SAVED THREE BOYS

Rescuers, Hand in Hand, Drew from Death Drowning Skaters.

FOURTH LAD IN PERIL.

Pulled from a West Winsted Lake, Reed Still Is in Grave Danger.

West Winsted, Conn., Dec. 28.—The loss of four lives by drowning was narrowly averted at Highland Lake this afternoon. One of those saved, Robert Reed, sixteen years old, tonight is hovering between life and death.

While skating on the third day of Highland Lake, Michael O'Brien and Joseph Maloney, aged nineteen and thirteen respectively, broke through the ice. Their companion, Arthur Ransom, tried to rescue them. The thin ice broke under his weight and threw him into the water.

Burton and Floyd Hart and James Sykes, who were fishing near by, heard cries for help and went to the assistance of the three boys, who clung to the edge of the ice.

The three rescuers formed a human life line and pulled all three out one after the other.

After being warmed to keep off a treacherous piece of ice, young Reed rashly attempted to cross it. Before he had gone many yards, hundreds of skaters saw the ice part under him, and the boy disappeared.

While onlookers were tying shiny sticks together, Clarence Gillette, who served during the last war in the Third Connecticut Volunteers, crept out toward the large opening in the ice, pushing a long pole ahead of him. The ice was very thin and, when Gillette had the pole within reach of Reed, half his body was under water. Reed had just strength enough to grasp the pole. As he was being dragged out of the water, the ice gave way under his weight leaving a channel fully two yards long behind him. Exhausted, he was taken to the nearest house and doctors were summoned. At first his case was pronounced hopeless, but tonight the doctors think that he may recover unless complications develop.

SIX MORE STEAMERS WILL ENGAGE IN NEW YORK TRADE

Leyland Line Will Endeavor to Get a Share of the Increase of Business.

Within the next five weeks the Leyland line of steamers, six of them in all, will enter into a new weekly freight and passenger service to be established between New York and Liverpool. The first of the company's vessels to sail from this port will probably be the Armenian, now due at Boston and just released from the British transport service.

Ever since the South African war broke out Frederick Leyland & Co., Limited, have cast eyes upon the enormously increased trade here.

700 CHILDREN MADE HAPPY.

An Umbrella and Toys Given to Each One at God's Providence Mission.

Seven hundred children of the East Side were made happy yesterday in God's Providence Mission at No. 320 Broome street. A Christmas tree festival was given in the afternoon and evening.

The superintendent, Mrs. John A. Forsner, who is known as the "Tommy Angel," delivered a short address. Each child received an umbrella and a package of toys and candy. Among the invited guests were Mrs. George W. Cottrell, Mrs. A. T. Cott, Mrs. James Penline, Mrs. C. A. Bowers, Miss Clara Mother, Miss J. Hopkins and Miss Dora Harris.

To-morrow a festival will be given to the kindergarten children.

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